



STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant: **Schlumberger Technology Corporation**

Application No.:

Docket No.: 22.1526

Entitled: **High-Pressure Explosive Retention Device**

Schlumberger Technology Corporation, a corporation, states that it is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of either:

- A. [X] An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified above. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel: _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

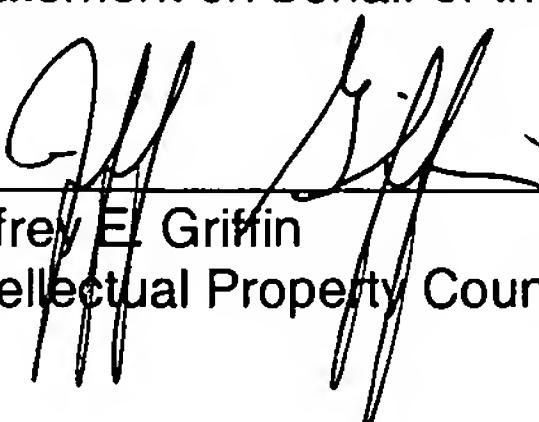
- B. [] A chain of title from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified above to current assignee as shown below:

1. From: _____ To: _____
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2. From: _____ To: _____
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3. From: _____ To: _____
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[] Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.

The undersigned is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee

Date: 2/11/04

Signature: 

Jeffrey E. Griffin
Intellectual Property Counsel

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, **Daniel C. Markel**, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 3015 Fallscreek Court, Pearland, Texas 77584 and **Larry W. Phillips**, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 1030 South Hill Street, Alvin, Texas 77511, hereinafter referred to as the "Inventors", have made inventions and improvements in: **High-Pressure Explosive Retention Device** which are the subject of an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on the date(s) indicated below, (Docket No. 22.1526), hereinafter referred to as the "Invention(s)".

AND WHEREAS, SCHLUMBERGER TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION, hereinafter referred to as "said COMPANY", a corporation duly organized, incorporated and existing under the laws of the State of Texas, and having a place of business at 300 Schlumberger, Sugar Land, Texas 77478 is desirous of acquiring or confirming its acquisition of the entire right, title and interest in and to the Invention(s), and in and to said application, and in and to any and all patents, both of the United States and of all foreign countries, that may be obtained therefore.

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that we the Inventors, for good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which hereby acknowledge, have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed, and by this assignment do sell, assign, transfer and convey, unto said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest throughout the world, in and to the Invention(s), described or set forth in said application, in any form or embodiment thereof, and in and to said application, and in and to any applications filed in any foreign country based thereon, including the right to file foreign applications under the provisions of any convention or treaty; and in and to any confirmation, divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, or substitute application which may be filed on the Invention(s) in the United States or in any foreign country; and in and to any and all patents, certificates, utility models, reissues, extensions, additions or confirmations thereof which may be granted in the United States or in any foreign country upon the Invention(s).

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all such United States and foreign patents and grants may be issued on the Invention(s).

AND we do hereby authorize and request the issuing authority to issue any and all of said United States and foreign patents on said application or applications to said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and benefit of said COMPANY, its successors and assigns.

AND we do hereby covenant and warrant that we have full right to convey the entire right, title and interest herein assigned free and clear of all licenses, encumbrances and liens whatsoever, and that we have not executed and will not execute any instruments in conflict herewith.

AND we, for the conditions aforesaid, do hereby covenant and agree to and with the said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, that we, our executors, administrators, or other personal representatives, shall and will do all lawful acts and things, make all rightful oaths, and make,

execute and deliver any and all other instruments in writing, and any and all further applications, papers, powers, affidavits, assignments, disclaimers and other documents, which in the opinion of counsel for said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, may be required or necessary in this or in any foreign country more effectually to secure and vest in said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the Invention(s), and any related application or applications, patents, rights, titles, benefits, privileges, and advantages hereby sold, assigned, confirmed, transferred and conveyed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Daniel C. Markel have hereunto set my hand and seal this

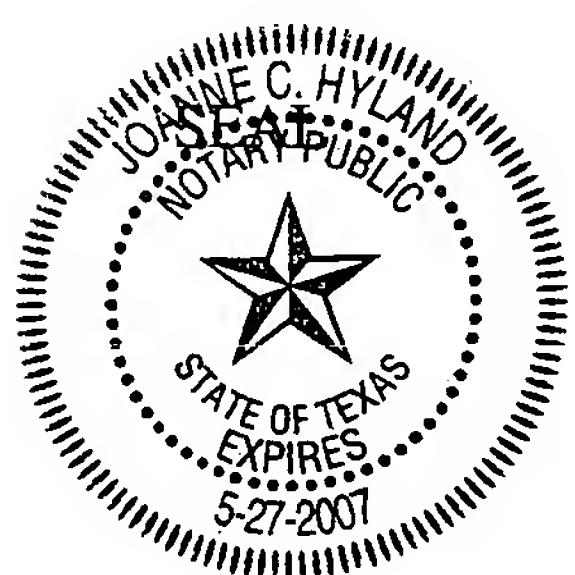
February 12, 2004.

Daniel C. Markel

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STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

BEFORE ME, this February 12, 2004 personally appeared **Daniel C. Markel**, to me known to be the person who is described in and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein expressed.



Spencer C. Gaylor
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

My Commission Expires: 5/27/07

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, **Larry W. Phillips** have hereunto set my hand and seal this
2-17, 2004.

Larry W. Phillips

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BEFORE ME, this February 17, 2004 personally appeared **Larry W. Phillips**, to
me known to be the person who is described in and who executed the foregoing assignment
instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose
therein expressed.

Joanne C. Hyland
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

My Commission Expires: 5/31/07

